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SUBJECT: PRESS CONTINUES COVERAGE ON VIETNAM

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1. HUNGARIAN PRESS TODAY FRONT-PAGED DRV ACCUSATIONS THAT US AND GVN ARE VIOLATING PARIS AGREEMENTS. HSWP DAILY NEPSZABADSAG CARRIED EXCERPTS FROM DRV NOTE TO ICCS MEMBERS AND PARIS AGREEMENT SIGNATORIES IN WHICH US IS ACCUSED OF "ILLEGALLY DELIVERING" NEW F-5 AIRPLANES TO GVN.

2. ARTICLE ALSO REPEATED SOVIET ARMY'S KRASNAYA ZVEZDA ACCUSATIONS THAT USG CONTINUING MILITARY SUPPORT TO GVN, THEREBY CONTRIBUTING TO "IMPUDENT AND PROVOCATIVE ATTITUDE OF SAIGON ADMINISTRATION". SOVIET ARTICLE CLAIMS THERE IS CONNECTION BETWEEN GVN "PROVOCATIONS" AND US MAINTAINING MILITARY BASES AND PERSONNEL IN THAILAND.

3. NEPSZABADSAG AND GOVT DAILY MAGYAR HIRLAP GAVE PROMINENT PLAY TO MARCH 20 MEETING BETWEEN PHAM VAN DONG
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AND KOSYGIN IN MOSCOW. PHAM VAN DONG IS QUOTED AS CHARGING

THAT "SERIOUS SITUATION IN SOUTH VIETNAM CAUSED BY GVN'S
SYSTEMATIC VIOLATION OF PARIS AGREEMENT, WHICH IN TURN IS
SUPPORTED BY IMPERIALIST CIRCLES OF US".

4. PRESS CAMPAIGN APPEARS TO BE PART OF ANOTHER WELL-
ORCHESTRATED INTERNATIONAL PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN TO BLAME US
AND GVN FOR
CONTINUATION OF WAR IN VIETNAM. PROMINENT COVERAGE OF SOVIET
ARMY ARTICLE (SIMILAR TO RED STAR ARTICLE IN REF C) AND
KOSYGIN MEETING LIKELY INDICATION THAT MOSCOW AGAIN CALLING
TUNE AND GOH DANCING TO IT. GVN ACCUSATIONS AGAINST
GOH (REF A), PARTICULARLY OVER FAILURE TO INVESTIGATE CAI LAY
SCHOOL SHELLING, HAS OBVIOUSLY PUT HUNGARIANS IN UNCOMFORTABLE
DEFENSIVE POSITION.
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